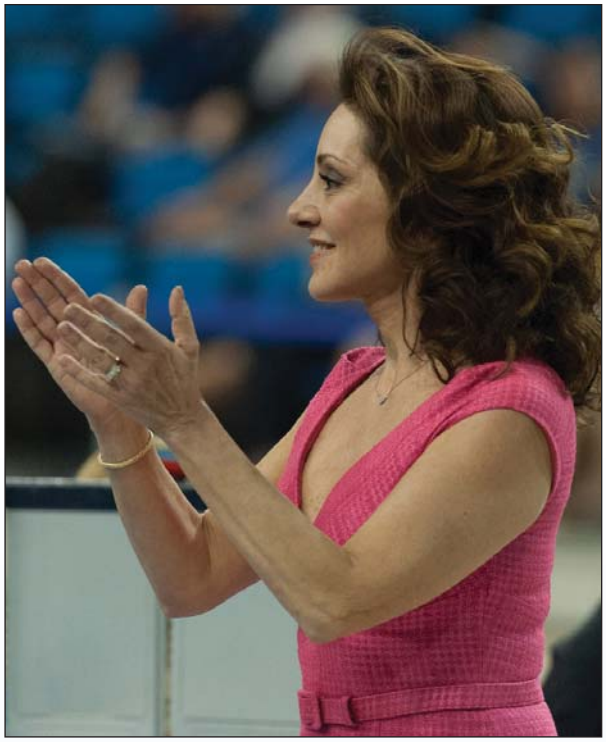


VALORIE KONDOS FIELD

Head Coach / 26th Season / UCLA '87



UCLA head coach Valorie Kondos Field has positioned her Bruins as one of the premier programs in collegiate gymnastics. Not only has she consistently recruited and coached some of the top talent in the world, but she has produced the results.

The Bruins won their first NCAA championship in 1997 under Kondos Field and won again in back-to-back seasons in both 2000-2001 and 2003-2004. In 2010, UCLA won its sixth NCAA title with a 24-for-24 performance in the Super Six. UCLA has remained the Leader of the Pac under Kondos Field's tenure, winning 12 conference titles, including the inaugural Pac-12 title in 2012, to go along with 17 NCAA Regional titles. In 2015, UCLA won the NCAA Regional title, and senior Samantha Peszek won the NCAA all-around and beam titles.

Kondos Field has been selected by her peers as the NACGC/W National Coach of the Year four times (1996, 1997, 2000 and 2001) and was also named the Pac-12 Coach of the Year in 1995, 2000, 2003 and 2012. In 2010, she became just the second active coach to be inducted into the UCLA Athletics Hall of Fame.

Kondos Field emphasizes a team concept, but her student-athletes have also found individual success, winning 25 NCAA individual titles during her years as head coach.

But even with all of her successes on the court, what gives Kondos Field most satisfaction is seeing her student-athletes succeed in all facets of their lives. Academics is a big part of that equation, and Kondos Field's teams regularly place members on the Conference All-Academic teams and Scholastic All-American squads and annually contend for the school's team GPA award.

With legendary UCLA basketball coach John Wooden as her role model and cherished friend, Kondos Field's coaching philosophy stresses balance and integrity.

"Growing up in the classical dance world, I spent the majority of my youth in a very disciplined environment," she said. "The reward was the self-satisfaction that came from the culmination of months of hard work in preparation for our performances and knowing I did my best to become the best I was capable of becoming. The reward wasn't monetary or about 'winning'; instead, it was being able to have pride in a job well done."

"In a sport as subjective as gymnastics, it's important to have an honest internal voice that knows when you've done your best even if your 'score' says you didn't 'win', and conversely knowing when you can push harder even if your 'score' says



Career Highlights

- 2010, 2004, 2003, 2001, 2000, 1997 NCAA Championships
- 2001, 2000, 1997, 1996 National Coach of the Year
- 4-time Conference Coach of the Year
- 16 Pac-12 Championships and 20 Regional Championships as head and assistant coach
- Coached 16 athletes to 31 NCAA Individual Championships as head and assistant coach
- 2010 UCLA Athletics Hall Of Fame Inductee

Year by Year Results

Year	Record	Pac-12	Reg'l	NCAA
1991	19-5	2nd	4th	—
1992	14-5	3rd	2nd	9th
1993	19-3	1st	1st	4th
1994	25-3	2nd	1st	5th
1995	26-5	1st	1st	4th
1996	15-6	4th	1st	2nd
1997	23-2	1st	1st	1st
1998	16-6	4th	2nd	5th
1999	20-5	1st	1st	5th
2000	25-5	1st	1st	1st
2001	23-2	2nd	1st	1st
2002	22-5	1st	1st	3rd
2003	19-2-1	1st	1st	1st
2004	15-5	2nd	1st	1st
2005	20-3	1st	1st	4th
2006	21-6	2nd	3rd	—
2007	15-6	1st	1st	4th
2008	18-6	3rd	2nd	7th
2009	17-3	1st	2nd	7th
2010	17-3	1st	1st	1st
2011	16-8	2nd	1st	2nd
2012	17-2-1	1st	1st	3rd
2013	16-5	2nd	2nd	4th
2014	13-6	4th	2nd	8th
2015	17-2	2nd	1st	11th

Total: 468-109-2 (.810)

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you are the 'champion'," she continued. "That inner voice, known as integrity, is vital in living life to its fullest and enjoying the journey in every aspect of life."

Kondos Field's professional journey has been a unique one. A former professional ballet dancer with the Sacramento Ballet, Capital City Ballet and Washington, D.C. Ballet, she initially got her start in gymnastics at Agilites in Carmichael, Calif. by playing the piano for floor exercise music. From there, she became a dance coach, and under the guidance of former University of Minnesota head coach Jim Stephenson, learned the fundamentals of the sport.

In 1983, she was hired to be UCLA's assistant coach and choreographer. While working under head coach Jerry Tomlinson, Kondos Field helped put UCLA Gymnastics on the map with their distinctive choreography and flair. The Bruins earned NCAA runner-up finishes in 1984 and 1989 and won six NCAA individual titles from 1987-89.

Kondos Field was appointed head coach of the Bruins in 1991 and brought in Scott Bull as her co-head coach. The duo earned West Region Co-Coach of the Year honors in 1993 and in 1994. As the sole head coach in 1995, she earned Pac-10 and West Region coaching honors and guided her team to first-place finishes at the Pac-10 and Regional Championships. Just one year later, she led the Bruins to a runner-up finish at the NCAA Championships, and in 1997 she became just the fourth coach in NCAA history to win a national title.

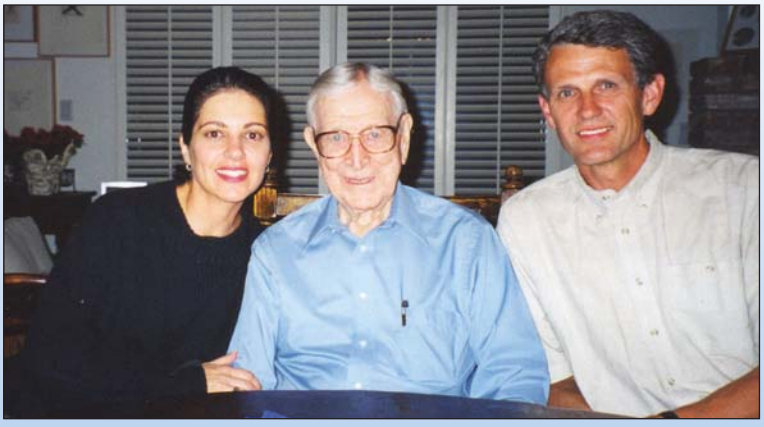
She is recognized as one of the top beam and floor choreographers in the sport. Under her guidance, UCLA has formed a reputation of having the most unique and artistic routines in the nation. Kondos Field has choreographed 17 NCAA championship routines on beam and floor, including an unprecedented three consecutive on floor from Kim Hamilton from 1987-89. She also earned the Choreography of the Year Award at the 2004 Canadian National Championships for Kate Richardson's floor exercise routine.

Kondos Field has also come to be recognized for her recruiting ability. Since becoming head coach, she has attracted to UCLA some of the top talent in the U.S. and abroad, including Olympic competitors Samantha Peszek, Jennifer Pinches, Mohini Bhardwaj, Kate Richardson, Elyse Hopfner-Hibbs, Tasha Schwikert, Kristen Maloney, Jamie Dantzscher, Yvonne Tousek, Stella Umeh and Luisa Portocarrero; and World Championships competitors Lena Degteva, Doni Thompson, Leah Homma, Jeanette Antolin, Holly Murdock, Ashley Peckett, Marci Bernholtz, Lichelle Wong, Sydney Sawa, Mattie Larson, Christine Peng-Peng Lee and Danusia Francis. Kondos Field also signed 2016 Olympic hopefuls in 2012 Olympic gold medalist Kyla Ross and 2015 uneven bars world champion Madison Kocian.

More impressively, however, under Kondos Field's tutelage, many of these top recruits went on to compete at the elite level both during and after their collegiate careers. Anna Li made the U.S. Olympic team as an alternate in 2012, two years after finishing her senior season at UCLA. In the summer of 2010, Vanessa Zamarripa made the U.S. National Team with an eighth-place finish at her first U.S. Championships. In 2004, Kate Richardson became only the second female gymnast to compete at the Olympic Games as a collegiate athlete. She was joined in Athens by another Bruin, Mohini Bhardwaj, who captained the U.S. team to a team silver medal three years after her senior season at UCLA. Both Richardson and Bhardwaj qualified for the floor exercise finals, with Bhardwaj placing sixth and Richardson placing seventh with her Kondos Field-choreographed routine. In 1999, Kondos Field coached then-UCLA junior Heidi Moneymaker at her first USA Championships, and Moneymaker, Bhardwaj and Lena Degteva all represented UCLA at the 1999 World University Games.

A 1987 UCLA graduate in history, Kondos Field is also a freelance choreographer with extensive experience in the entertainment and gymnastics fields. She has helped to create, direct and choreograph Sea World's Summer Nights shows for the past 23 years, and her Riptide show won a national award for Best Overall Production: $1,000,000 - $2,000,000 or More at the International Association of Amusement Parks and Attractions (IAAPA) 2007 Big "E" Awards. In the summer of 1991, Kondos Field choreographed a summer acrobatic festival held in Lennestadt, Germany.

Kondos Field is married to former UCLA Associate Athletic Director and football coach Bobby Field.



Valorie Kondos Field and Bobby Field with John Wooden

What They're Saying …

"The vibrant personality of Valorie carries over in her work with the young ladies under her supervision. It's no wonder that all of them are so enthusiastic about their sport."

- John Wooden, Hall of Fame coach

"I've known Val since she helped me on my floor exercise routine before the '84 Olympics. She has since become a good friend to me and my wife, Donna, a former Bruin gymnast. She represents UCLA with class and character both on and off the gym floor. Valorie is a great coach, but an even better person."

- Peter Vidmar, UCLA '83, NCAA and Olympic champion

"There were many reasons for why I chose to come to UCLA, but the most important one was Miss Val. From the moment I met her, I knew that she cared about me as a person and not just as an athlete. Throughout my four years of being on the UCLA Gymnastics team, Valorie emphasized qualities such as integrity, leadership and teamwork. What she cared about most was that we graduated far better people than we were starting out. What I realized was that by becoming the best person I can be, I also became the best athlete I can be. Valorie is the reason why UCLA Gymnastics has become the number one program in the nation."

- Lena Degteva, UCLA '01, NCAA champion

"Having known Valorie since the early '80's, I've been privileged to witness the evolution and maturation of a truly remarkable coach; from an unquestionably talented choreographer to a highly-respected and greatly admired head coach. Her ability to recruit the nation's most talented gymnasts year after year is not the key to her success. To the contrary, the 'advantage' of working with high-level talent often presents its own challenge. Elite athletes frequently come to college with 'baggage' (e.g., fatigue, nagging/chronic injuries, negative experiences), and Valorie's calm, nurturing, supportive approach - along with her foremost ambition to graduate self-sufficient, self-confident young women - allows these gymnasts to adjust to a collegiate environment and succeed anew within that arena. Valorie's ego never enters the mix. Her focus is always on the athletes, whose success she ultimately defines not by winning but by growth as well-rounded human beings."

- Kathy Johnson Clarke, Olympic medalist

"Coaching gymnastics is difficult, but it is extremely challenging at the collegiate level. Young gymnasts are suddenly faced with instant freedom and stringent academic demands. Valorie has been able to take gymnasts from diverse backgrounds and motivation levels and teach them to love the sport again. She is a passionate professional."

- Dwight Normile, Editor, International Gymnast

"I have a lot of respect for Valorie and her program. We enjoy competing against them because it always brings together two of the best teams in the country and is a positive experience for the athletes, the coaches and the fans."

- Bev Plocki, University of Michigan Head Coach

"Val has been extremely successful with so many athletes over the years. I am always impressed with her calmness and the connection she has with her team."

- Mary Lee Tracy, Former U.S. National Team Coach

"You have to give Valorie credit for the strong program that she has put together at UCLA. I feel fortunate that I was able to be a part of the team so that I could watch and learn from Valorie. She has built the program into a model that others in the nation want to emulate."

- Rhonda Faehn, Sr. VP, USA Gymnastics/former UCLA gymnast



CHRIS WALLER

Associate Head Coach / 14th Season / UCLA '91

Career Highlights

- 2004 NACGC/W National and 2010 West Region Assistant Coach of the Year
- Coach of 2004 U.S. Olympic team captain Mohini Bhardwaj
- Three NCAA team championships as UCLA Assistant Coach
- 1992 U.S. Olympian
- 1991 U.S. all-around champion
- U.S. pommel horse champion from 1991-93
- Inducted into USA Gymnastics Hall of Fame in 2003
- 1989 NCAA pommel horse champion
- 1990 NCAA high bar champion
- Member of UCLA's 1987 NCAA Championship team



Former UCLA All-American, NCAA Champion and U.S. Olympian Chris Waller is in his 14th season as an assistant coach for the UCLA women's gymnastics team and fourth as associate head coach.

Waller has brought nothing but success since returning to UCLA in 2003, helping guide the Bruins to three NCAA team titles. In his first season on the Bruin staff, he helped guide the Bruins to the 2003 NCAA, Regional and Pac-10 Championships. He was also the acting head coach when UCLA snapped the longest home court winning streak in NCAA history for any sport, handing Utah its first home loss in 23 years. In 2004, he helped coach the Bruins to a repeat championship, won in record-setting fashion. He was also selected by his peers as the 2004 NACGC National Assistant Coach of the Year. In 2010, he was voted the West Region Assistant Coach of the Year.

The success did not stop for Waller after the 2004 collegiate season. He coached former Bruin great Mohini Bhardwaj as she earned not only a spot on the U.S. Olympic team but the honor of team captain as well. Bhardwaj competed in the all-around for the USA in the team prelims and on three of four events at team finals, helping the USA win the silver medal. Bhardwaj had the eighth-highest all-around score in prelims and placed sixth in the floor exercise finals.

Waller coached another Bruin to elite success in 2010, helping guide Vanessa Zamarripa to the U.S. National Team after an eighth-place all-around finish at the Visa Championships.

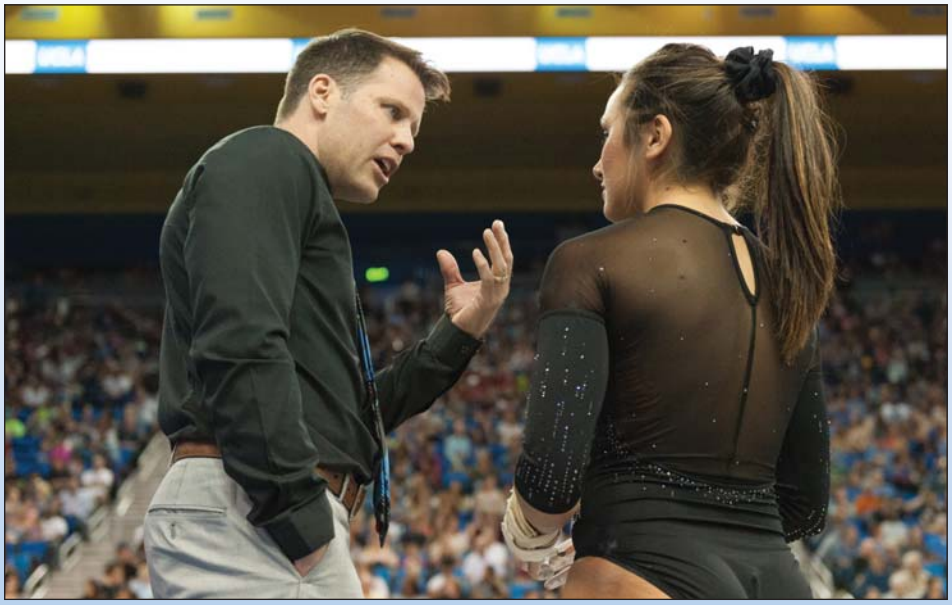
One of the United States' all-time gymnastics greats, Waller was a member of the National Team from 1989-97 and captured the U.S. all-around crown in 1991 and pommel horse titles from 1991-93. He was an all-around finalist at the 1992 Olympic Games in Barcelona and took fifth on the pommel horse, just one-tenth of a point away from the gold medal. In addition, Waller placed in the Top 6 on the pommel horse at the 1993 World Championships and won three medals at the 1990 Goodwill Games and a team gold at the 1995 Pan American Games. He was inducted into the USA Gymnastics Hall of Fame in 2003.

At UCLA, Waller earned four All-America honors and helped the Bruins capture the NCAA title in 1987. He also won individual titles on the pommel horse in 1989 and the high bar in 1990. Every year from 1989-1993, Waller won either a U.S. or NCAA national title.



Waller, who graduated from UCLA in 1991, has 15 years of prior coaching experience and was selected the 2002 Southern California Level 7 Male Coach of the Year. Waller also served as a member of the USA Gymnastics Executive Committee and the 2000 Olympic team selection committee and chaired the Athlete's Council.

Waller and his wife Cindy have two daughters, Alexandra, who is now a manager on the Bruin team after competing her first two years, and Lilia. He and Cindy founded GymJam Summer Camp in 1997 and are owners of their own gym, Waller's GymJam Academy, in Santa Clarita.





RANDY LANE

Assistant Coach / 12th Season / Illinois '89

Randy Lane is in the fifth year of his third stint as a Bruin assistant coach and his 12th year overall with the program.

In 2012, he was selected the West Region Assistant Coach of the Year and helped lead UCLA to the first-ever Pac-12 Championship, as well as a NCAA Regional championship and a third-place NCAA finish.

Lane previously coached at UCLA from 1992-94 and 1998-2001. He left coaching for a private business but returned to the sport as an assistant coach at Florida from 2002-06. He was an associate head coach at Michigan State from 2006-11 and had previously served as the head coach at UC Santa Barbara from 1995-97.

During Lane's second stint at UCLA, he helped guide the Bruins to NCAA titles in 2000 and 2001. UCLA gymnasts won eight NCAA individual titles from 1998-2001, including three on the event on which he was the lead coach, uneven bars. He was honored as the NACGC/W National Assistant Coach of the Year in 2000, and in 1998, he was named the West Region Assistant Coach of the Year.

At Florida, his Gator teams advanced to the NCAA Championships each of the four years he coached there and won NCAA Regional titles in 2005 and 2006. At Michigan State from 2006-11, he coached two gymnasts to perfect 10 scores on vault and helped lead the team to its best-ever NCAA Regional finishes (third) in 2011 and 2008.

Prior to his tenure at UCSB, Lane served as assistant coach at UCLA from 1992-94 and helped produce six All-Americans and three Pac-10 event champions.

Lane was a member of the 1989 Illinois NCAA Men's Gymnastics National Championship squad and the 1988 NCAA Championship runner-up squad. He was also a member of the 1988 and 1989 Big Ten Championship teams. While competing for the Columbus Gymnastics Center, he won the Indiana State all-around title eight times and was the 1984 AAU Junior Olympic National parallel bar champion. He was named the 1984 Indiana Outstanding Athlete over such notables as Indiana basketball legend and current UCLA basketball coach Steve Alford.



Lane received his bachelor's degree in Speech Communications from Illinois in 1989 and his Master's degree in Oriental Medicine/Acupuncture from the Santa Barbara College of Oriental Medicine in 1999.

Career Highlights

- 2000 NACGC/W National Assistant Coach of the Year
- 2012 and 1998 West Region Assistant Coach of the Year
- Two NCAA team championships as UCLA Assistant Coach
- Member of Illinois' Men's Gymnastics NCAA Championship team in 1989





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DOM PALANGE

Volunteer Assistant Coach

Dom Palange begins his third season as a volunteer assistant coach.

Palange, who is originally from Hudson, Mass., began gymnastics at age 3 and trained at Sterling Academy of Gymnastics, where he became a multiple state and Region 6 floor and vault champion. At age 17, he switched to competing and coaching All star cheerleading. After graduating from high school, he moved to Miami, Fla. to join Top Gun All Stars, where he won two World Championship titles and two third-place finishes, along with multiple national titles. Palange also coached teams to several National titles from 2008-12.

From 2009-10, Palange attempted a comeback in gymnastics, training with World Champion Danell Leyva under Yin Alvarez, but his comeback was cut short due to time constraints.

Palange moved to Los Angeles in 2013 and began coaching at Waller's GymJam Academy. He joined the UCLA coaching staff in 2014 as a volunteer assistant and increased his responsibilities to a full-time volunteer assistant in 2015.



Jennifer Pinches
Undergraduate Assistant Coach

Olympian Jennifer Pinches will begin her first year in 2015-16 as an undergraduate assistant coach after competing for the Bruins in 2014 and 2015.

Pinches was a consistent competitor for the Bruins, hitting 31 of 32 routines (97%) in her career, including all 11 in 2015. The wrist injuries that eventually caused her medical retirement limited her training during her sophomore season, but she still posted career-high scores on both vault (9.85) and floor (9.875). As a key leadoff performer, she averaged 9.793 on floor over her career and 9.813 on vault in 2015. She won the team's Golden Paw Award for her clutch performance at the 2014 NCAA Regional Championships.

In 2012, Pinches competed at the Olympic Games in London, helping Great Britain finish a national all-time-best sixth in the team competition. Prior to the Olympics, she won the balance beam title and was second in the all-around and on vault at the 2012 British Championships and won bronze medals in the all-around, uneven bars and floor exercise at the 2011 British Championships. Pinches represented Great Britain in 2010 and 2011 at the World Championships.

Pinches is a two-time NACGC/W Scholastic All-American and is majoring in Psychology.



Kaitlin Reid
Graduate Student Manager

A second-year graduate student in UCLA's School of Public Health, Kaitlin Reid is in her second season with the program as a graduate operations manager.

A native of Santa Fe, N.M., Reid graduated in 2012 from the University of Nebraska with a Bachelor's degree in Nutrition, Exercise, and Health Science. She is now earning her Master's degree in Public Health, concentrating on nutrition. Starting in 2015, she will begin her dietetic internship working towards her Registered Dietician credential. She aspires toward a career in the NCAA, hopefully continuing to work with gymnastics.

Reid was a competitive gymnast for 16 years and competed collegiately at Cal State Fullerton and Nebraska. Following her injury-retirement, she studied abroad in Brisbane, Queensland, Australia. She also interned with Nebraska Strength & Conditioning and Nebraska Sports Nutrition.

After graduation, she coached gymnastics in her hometown of Santa Fe from 2012-2014, before moving to Los Angeles.



Jordyn Wieber
Team Manager

Olympic gold medalist Jordyn Wieber begins her third year as a Bruin team manager and UCLA student.

Wieber struck gold with the U.S. team at the 2012 Olympics and also earned all-around and team gold and a beam bronze medal at the 2011 World Championships. She won four U.S. senior national titles during her career, capturing the all-around, bars and floor crowns in 2011 and repeating as the all-around champion in 2012. She was also the 2008 U.S. junior all-around, vault and floor exercise champion and the American Cup all-around champion in 2009, 2011 and 2012.

Wieber, who hails from DeWitt, Mich., is a third-year Psychology student.



SADIQUA BYNUM

Redshirt Senior / 5-4 / Berkeley, Calif. / Head Over Heels Athletic Arts / Berkeley HS

Career Highlights

- Scored career-high 9.975 on floor against Stanford on 3/7/15
- Regular season 2nd-team All-American and 1st-team All-Pac-12 on floor
- Averaging 9.82 on floor in NCAA competitions
- Top 5 finishes in the all-around, vault and bars at the 2011 Level 10 State Championships

Best Marks

V.....9.925, 3/7/14
FX.....9.975, 3/7/15



2015

Second-team NACGC/W Regular Season All-American and first-team All-Pac-12 on floor … Hit all 23 routines this season, with 16 routines scoring 9.85 or better … Scored 9.925 or better on floor in seven of 12 meets … Won floor for the fifth time at Arkansas, scoring 9.925 … Earned a career-high 9.975 to win floor vs. Stanford Mar. 7, receiving her first-ever perfect 10 from a judge … Scored 9.925 on floor for the fourth consecutive meet in the Feb. 21 quad meet and placed third … Won floor with a 9.925 for the third-straight meet at Stanford and also tied for third on vault with a 9.875 … Captured her second-straight floor win with a 9.925 and placed second on vault with a season-high 9.9 vs. Washington … Recorded a career-high 9.925 to win floor and placed third on vault with a 9.85 vs. Cal … Placed second on vault at OSU with a stuck Yurchenko layout half that scored 9.875.

2014

Upgraded routines on both vault and floor in 2014, vaulting a Yurchenko layout half and a tumbling a double layout on floor … Scored 9.9 on floor in three consecutive meets from Feb. 16-Mar. 1 and averaged 9.804 on the year … Averaged 9.796 on vault with a new career-high of 9.925 set at Michigan, where she tied for third and also scored 9.875 on floor … Took home her first event titles at Washington, winning both vault and floor with scores of 9.9 … Scored 9.9 on floor and 9.875 on vault vs. Stanford … Second on vault vs. ASU with a 9.875 … Tied for third on vault at Cal with a 9.85 … Tied for UCLA's top score on vault at Utah with a 9.85 … Scored a then-career-high on vault vs. OSU with a 9.9 to tie for second place … Tied her career-best on floor vs. Florida with a 9.85 and vaulted for the first time ever in competition, scoring 9.725.

2013

Competed on floor in 11 of 14 meets … Averaged 9.825 in postseason competition … Scored 9.825 in the NCAA team finals and 9.8 in the semifinals … Tied her career-best with a 9.85 at the NCAA Regionals … Also scored 9.85 to tie for fourth in the Bruins' quad meet Feb. 10 … Registered a then-career-high 9.825 at Stanford Feb. 2 … Previous career-best was 9.8 against Utah on Jan. 12 … Competed for the first time as a Bruin in the season opener vs. Southern Utah, scoring 9.225 on floor and earning 9.6 on vault in an exhibition … Prior to 2013, she had not competed since the 2011 Level 10 State meet due to a torn Achilles and torn labrum.

2012

Did not compete due to injury and redshirted the season.

Club

Fourth on vault and bars with scores of 9.4 and fifth in the all-around at the 2011 Level 10 State Championships … Placed first on vault and third in the all-around and on bars at the West Valley Spirit of the Flame Challenge in 2011 … Earned Top 10 finishes on vault and beam at the 2009 Level 10 Regionals … High mark on vault was 9.675 … Trained at Head Over Heels Athletic Arts under coaches Katreece Roberts and Oleg Kosiak.

Personal

Lists vault and floor as her favorite apparatus… Admires UCLA alum and Olympic medalist Tasha Schwikert … Hobbies include art, dancing and listening to music … Parents: Donald Guralnick and Louisa Bynum … Has an older sister Zoe and a late older brother Dustin … Her father and an uncle and aunt all attended UCLA … Full name is Sadiqua Beatrice Bynum … Born in Fremont, Calif. … Sociology major.





ANGI CIPRA

Junior / 5-2 / Mesa, Ariz. / Desert Devils Gymnastics/ Saguaro HS

2015

NACGC/W Scholastic All-American … Second-team Pac-12 All-Academic honoree … Tied for second on floor at NCAA Regionals with a season-high-tying 9.9 … Stuck her vault at Pac-12 Championships and scored 9.85 to tie for seventh … Tied her season-high with a 9.9 on floor vs. Stanford on Mar. 7, placing fourth … Did not compete Feb. 21 due to a slight injury but returned on Feb. 28 to win floor with a 9.875 in front of a hometown crowd at ASU … Earned 9.85 on vault and 9.875 on floor at Stanford … Scored a career-high 9.875 on vault and earned a 9.8 on floor despite an out-of-bounds deduction vs. Washington … Recorded a season-best 9.9 on floor vs. Cal … Set a new season-high on floor at Utah with a 9.85 and also scored 9.825 on vault … Tied her career-high on vault with a 9.85 vs. Arizona … Scored 9.75 on vault and 9.725 on floor in her first meet in 11 months, at OSU.

2014

Earned NACGC/W Scholastic All-America honors with a 3.74 GPA … Missed the final three months of the season after injuring her heel in the Feb. 8 meet against Arizona State… Averaged 9.855 on floor in the five meets in which she competed … Tied for second on floor at Cal with a 9.9 … Tied for UCLA's top score on vault at Utah with a 9.85 and also posted a career-high 9.6 on beam and scored 9.875 on floor … Recorded a career-high 9.95 on floor vs. OSU, receiving a 10 from one of the two judges … Pac-12 Freshman of the Week (Jan. 14) after scoring 9.85 and tying for fifth place on both vault and floor in her collegiate debut vs. Florida.

Club

Won the 2012 Level 10 national title on floor exercise and placed third on vault … Swept the all-around and four events at both the Region 1 and State Championships in 2012 … Won the Level 10 State floor exercise title in 2013 and also placed third on floor and fourth in the all-around … Third on vault at 2013 Level 10 Regionals … Uneven bars state champion in 2011 … Won the all-around, bars and floor titles and placed second on vault and beam at her first Level 10 State Championship in 2010 … Holds high marks of 9.8 on vault, 9.775 on beam, 9.75 on floor, 9.65 on bars and 38.3 in the all-around … Trained at Desert Devils Gymnastics.

Personal

Hobbies include reading, dancing and choreography … Interested in architecture and interior design … Favorite apparatus is floor exercise … Admires Olympic champion Nastia Liukin … Loves to compete and learn new skills … Full name is Angela Christine Cipra … Parents: Dan and Ainez Cipra … Has two younger siblings, Dani and Christopher … Born in Phoenix, Ariz. … Economics major.

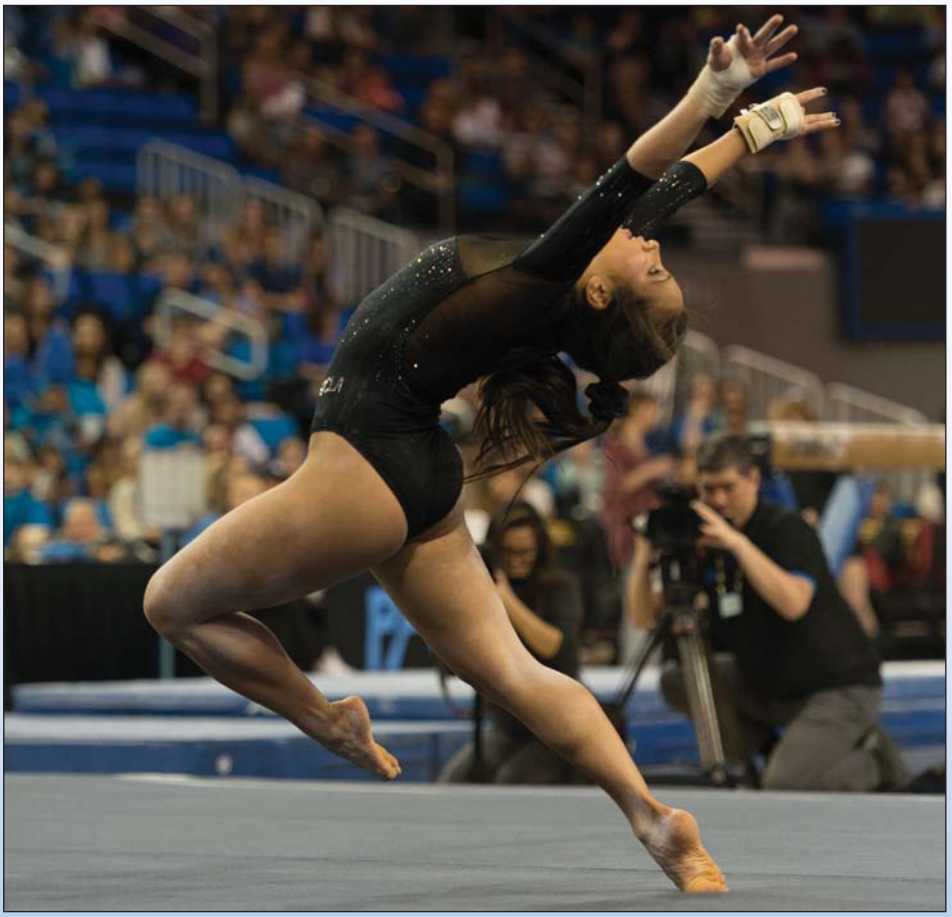
Career Highlights

- 2015, 2014 NACGC/W Scholastic All-American
- Pac-12 Freshman of the Week (1/14/14)
- 2012 Level 10 floor champion
- Swept all-around and all four events at the 2012 Region 1 and State Championships

Best Marks

V.....9.875, last 3/21/15
BB.....9.600, 1/25/14
FX.....9.950, 1/19/14







SOPHINA DEJESUS

Senior / 5-1 / Temecula, Calif. / SCEGA / Temecula Valley HS

Career Highlights

- Two-time All-American on bars
- Two-time Pac-12 Freshman of the Week
- 2009 U.S. National Team member
- Three-time USA Championships competitor

Best Marks

UB	9.975, last 2/8/14
BB	9.900, last 4/4/15
FX	9.950, 2/22/14



2015

Scored 9.8 or better on beam in her last 10 meet and 9.85 or better in five of her last seven meets … Averaging 9.845 on bars in her last four meets with two scores of 9.875 … Scored 9.85 on bars and a career-high-tying 9.9 on beam at NCAA Regionals … Earned a third-place finish with a season-high-tying 9.85 on beam at Arkansas … Tied for second on bars with a 9.875 and scored 9.85 on beam vs. Stanford on Mar. 7 … Tied for third on beam with a 9.85 and exhibitioned on floor for a season-high 9.85 at ASU … Scored a season-best 9.85 on beam and made her floor competitive debut, scoring 9.6 … Earned her third-straight 9.8+ score on beam at Stanford with a 9.825 … Picked up her first win of the season, scoring a season-high 9.9 to place first on bars vs. Washington and also earned a season-best 9.85 on beam … Had a strong meet vs. Arizona, placing second on bars (9.85) and fifth on beam (9.825) and scoring 9.775 in an exhibition floor routine.

2014

Second-team Regular Season All-American on bars … Finished the year ranked 13th in the nation on bars and held a season average of 9.842 … Recorded a pair of 9.875s on bars and beam at the NCAA Regional … Second on bars in the last two regular season tri-meets with scores of 9.925 … Tied for first on bars with a 9.9 and scored 9.875 on floor at Arizona … Had her best all-around meet vs. Stanford, scoring career-highs of 9.95 on floor and 9.9 on beam, along with a 9.75 on bars … Scored a career-high 9.975 on bars and a season-best 9.85 on beam vs. ASU … Earned a then-season-high 9.775 on beam and scored 9.85 on bars at Cal … Earned a new career-high 9.95 on bars vs. OSU.

2013

Second-team All-American on uneven bars … Hit 34 of 36 routines without a fall … Had one of her best overall meets at the NCAA Regional, scoring 9.85 on bars and floor and a career-high 9.9 on beam to tie for third … Followed it up with a stellar performance at the NCAA semifinals, tying her career-high on bars with a 9.9 and scoring 9.825 on beam and 9.875 on floor … Three of her four uneven bars routines in the postseason scored a career-high 9.9 … Scored career-highs of 9.875 on beam and 9.9 on floor vs. Arkansas … Second on bars at Alabama with a 9.85 and fourth on beam with a 9.85 … Sat out the Feb. 10 and Feb. 16 meets due to a concussion but returned on Feb. 22 at Oklahoma to score 9.875s on beam and floor and 9.85 on bars … Placed first or second on every event in which she competed at ASU on Jan. 25, tying for first on beam with a career-high 9.875 and tying for second on bars (9.8) and floor (career-high-tying 9.875) … Twice earned Pac-12 Freshman/Newcomer of the Week honors (1/29 and 1/8) … Scored 9.8 or better on all three events on which she competed in the season opener, tying for first on bars (9.9), tying for third on beam (9.8) and placing fifth on floor (9.825).

Club

2009 U.S. National Team member … Three-time USA Championships qualifier … Top finish at the USA Championships came in 2009, when she placed ninth in the all-around and on bars and fourth on beam … Placed 14th in the all-around and ninth on beam at the 2008 Championships … Represented the U.S. at the Junior Japan International in 2009 and won gold on floor and finished fourth in the all-around … Fifth in the all-around and third on bars at the 2009 American Classic … Competed at the 2010 U.S. CoverGirl Classic … Level 10 State champion in the all-around and bars in 2007 … Won the uneven bars at the 2012 SCEGA California Classic, competing as a Level 10 … Trained at SCEGA under coaches Kathy Strate Meredith Paulicivic and Luis Garcia.

Personal

Former professional dancer and actress … Acted and danced on the TV show Hip Hop Harry … Twice went on tour with Macy's Passport and appeared in a Missy Elliott video and a Disney video … Has been on several talk shows, including Ellen, Maury and Tom Joyner … Did several commercials and a Broadway play with Debbie Allen … Her dance crew Mix 5 took first place at Hip Hop International … Choreographed for an award-winning varsity high school dance team … Other hobbies include ice skating and rock climbing … Full name is Sophina Saáde DeJesus … Parents: Jerry and Maria DeJesus … Has four siblings, brothers Izaia and Jerry and sisters Angelica and Savannah … Acted with Savannah on Hip Hop Harry … Born in San Jose, Calif. … Sociology major.





RECHELLE DENNIS

Sophomore / 5-4 / Dix Hills, N.Y. / Gold Medal Gymnastics Huntington / Half Hollow HS

2015

Made her UCLA debut with an exhibition bars routine at the Feb. 21 quad meet and scored 9.825 … Also performed an exhibition on bars at ASU and scored 9.675.

Club

Five-time JO National Championships qualifier (2010-14) … Highest finish was seventh in the all-around and uneven bars and fifth on floor exercise at the 2012 JO Nationals … Placed ninth on floor at the 2014 JO Nationals … Uneven bars and floor champion at the 2012 Region 6 Championships … Repeated as floor champion and also won the all-around at the 2013 Region 6 Championships … New York State all-around, bars and floor champion in 2013 … Won the uneven bars titles at the 2014 state and region meets … Trained at Gold Medal Gymnastics Huntington.

Personal

Favorite apparatus is floor exercise … Hobbies include shopping, hanging out with friends, listening to music and going to the beach … Admires basketball player Skylar Diggins … Names her greatest athletic thrill as placing seventh at the 2012 JO National Championships … Helped mentor a class of elementary school children in Liberia, Africa during the summer … Full name is Rechelle Alyse Dennis … Parents: Rich and Martha Dennis … Has an older sister, Julienne, and two younger sisters, Sophia and Isabella … Born in Long Island, N.Y. … Undeclared major.

Career Highlights

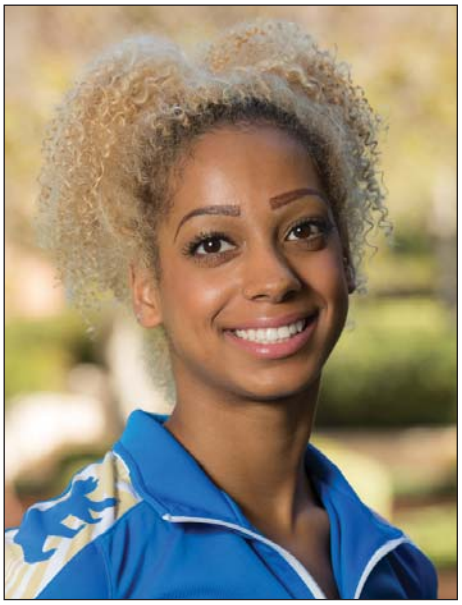
- Scored 9.825 on bars in 2/21/15 exhibition
- 5-time JO Nationals qualifier
- Won five career Region 6 individual titles

Best Marks

UB .....9.825 (ex.), 2/21/15







DANUSIA FRANCIS

Senior / 5-4 / Kenilworth, England / Heathrow Gymnastics / Surbiton HS

Career Highlights

- Three-time All-American
- 2013 NACGC/W Scholastic All-American
- Competed at two World Championships - 2015 for Jamaica and 2011 for Great Britain
- 2008 Great Britain Olympic Team reserve

Best Marks

UB 9.925, 2/1/15
BB 10.0, 3/16/14
FX.....9.950, 2/21/15



2015

Competed at the 2015 World Championships for Jamaica and hit all four of her routines to finish with an all-around score of 51.999, earning Jamaica a qualifying spot at the Olympic test event … First-team NACGC/W Regular Season All-American and All-Pac-12 on beam … Second-team Pac-12 All-Academic honoree … Hit 35 consecutive routines and 96 of her 97 routines in her career … Scored 9.775 or better on every routine since Jan. 19 … Scored 9.95 on beam in four of her last seven meets … Seven leadoff scores on bars were 9.875 or higher, including a career-high 9.925 vs. Cal … Tied for first on beam (9.95) and second on floor (9.9) at NCAA Regionals … Placed second on beam (9.9) and third on bars (9.875) at Arkansas … Tied for first on beam with a 9.95 (her fourth beam win in five meets) vs. Stanford Mar. 7 … Won beam with a 9.95 and placed third on bars with a 9.875 at ASU … Earned two 9.95s (beam to tie for second place and floor to tie for first with a career-high score) and a 9.9 (bars to tie for second) at the Feb. 21 quad meet … Claimed first place on beam (9.875) at Stanford … Won beam with a 9.925, placed second on floor with a 9.9 and tied for third on bars with a 9.85 vs. Washington … Won floor for the first time in her career, scoring 9.925 against Arizona, and also placed second on beam with a 9.925.

2014

Made history twice in 2014, first by becoming the first gymnast to do a sideways side aerial to a layout full dismount off the side of the beam and then by scoring UCLA's eighth perfect 10 on beam on Mar. 16 … First-team Regular Season All-American and All-Pac-12 on beam … Honorable mention Pac-12 All-Academic … Ranked No. 4 in the nation on beam to end the regular season … Hit all 29 routines in 2014 … Averaged 9.898 on beam and scored 9.9 or higher eight times … Had four beam victories, winning vs. OSU, at Utah, at Arizona and in the team's home finale Mar. 16 … Scored career-highs of 9.9 on bars and floor at NCAA Regionals … Named Pac-12 Specialist of the Week Mar. 18 after scoring her 10 on beam … Averaged 9.840 on bars while competing as the leadoff with a season-high of 9.9 … Missed two meets due to illness and returned on Feb. 22 vs. Stanford to tie for first on bars and place second on beam (9.925).

2013

First-team All-American on beam and placed eighth at the event finals, where she became the first collegiate gymnast ever to successfully perform a sideways aerial on beam … Second-team regular season All-American and All-Pac-12 on beam … NACGC/W Scholastic All-American … Hit all 31 of her routines in team competition … Finished the regular season ranked 16th in the nation on beam and held a team-best season average of 9.82 … Earned Pac-12 Freshman/Newcomer of the Week honors after winning beam with a career-high tying 9.925 at Stanford … Placed in the Top 3 on beam in nine meets, with a team-best six victories … Won beam with a career-high of 9.95 vs. Arkansas … Set then-career-highs on bars (9.8) and floor (9.8) at Oklahoma … Tied for first on beam with a 9.875, matched her season-high on bars with a 9.775 and made her competitive debut on floor, scoring 9.725 on Feb. 10 … Tied for first on beam with a 9.875 at ASU Jan. 25 … Moved to the anchor spot on beam vs. Utah and responded with a first-place score of 9.925 … Scored 9.775 on bars (t-7th) and 9.8 on beam (t-3rd) in her collegiate debut vs. Southern Utah.

Club

Competed for Great Britain at the 2013 World University Games and finished sixth on floor exercise … Reserve for Great Britain's 2012 Olympic team … Competed at the 2011 World Championships, helping Great Britain achieve a best-ever fifth-place finish and a full team qualification for the 2012 Olympics … Beam champion and all-around runner-up at the 2011 British Championships … Finished 16th in the all-around at the 2011 European Championships … Won both the beam and floor titles and was third in the all-around at the 2010 British Championships and was third in the all-around … British junior champion on bars and floor and a silver medalist in the all-around and on beam in 2009 … Trained at Heathrow Gymnastics under coaches Vince and Michele Walduck and Natalia Ilienko-Jarvis.

Personal

Favorite apparatus is balance beam … Admires track and field star Usain Bolt … Lists her biggest thrill as qualifying a team for the Olympics at the 2011 World Championships … Hobbies include shopping and baking … Full name is Danusia May Francis … Mother: Wanda Tebby … Has two brothers, Joe and Yan, and a sister, Leah … Born in Coventry, England … English major who has a career objective of being a TV presenter.





MIKAELA GERBER

Junior / 5-5 / Cambridge, Ont. / Oakville Gymnastics Club/ Galt Collegiate Institute

Career Highlights

- Two-time NACGC/W Scholastic All-American
- 2015 Pac-12 All-Academic
- 2011 World Championships competitor
- Two-time silver medalist at 2011 Pan American Games

Best Marks

V.....9.625 (ex.),3/1/14
BB.....9.800, last 4/4/15
FX.....9.850, last 3/21/15



2015

NACGC/W Scholastic All-American with a 3.70 GPA for the year … Honorable mention Pac-12 All-Academic … Averaged 9.814 on floor … Scored 9.8 five times on beam, including twice in the leadoff position … Scored career-highs of 9.85 on floor in three of her last five performances, including at the Pac-12 Championships and on Mar. 7 vs. Stanford to help the Bruins earn a season-high team score of 49.625 … Hit her first 10 routines of the year and 17 of 18 overall … Scored 9.8 on both beam and floor at the NCAA Regionals … Scored 9.8 on beam in the Feb. 21 quad meet to help the Bruins score a season-high 49.525 … Earned a career-high 9.85 on floor at Stanford … Recorded her third 9.8 score on beam in the win over Cal … Tied her career-best on floor at Utah with a 9.825 and recorded a leadoff 9.675 on beam … Tied her career-high on beam (9.8) and set a new best on floor (9.825) vs. Arizona … Scored a career-high 9.8 on beam and 9.725 on floor to place fifth on each event at Oregon State.

2014

NACGC/W Scholastic All-American with a 3.5 GPA … Made her UCLA debut with an exhibition beam performance at Cal that scored 9.375 … Competed for the first time vs. ASU and scored 8.8 on beam … Hit two exhibition routines at Arizona, scoring 9.75 on beam and 9.625 on vault … Scored 9.625 on beam and 9.5 on vault in exhibition performances Mar. 16.

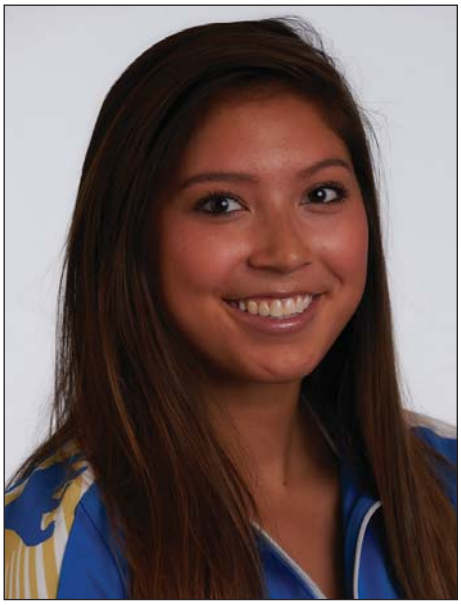
Club

Key member of the Canadian National Team that placed 11th at the 2011 World Championships … Two-time silver medalist at the 2011 Pan American Games, capturing second place on floor and in the team competition … Placed 12th in the all-around, fourth on beam and eighth on vault at the 2012 Canadian Championships … Fifth on bars, fourth on floor and seventh in the all-around at the 2012 Elite Canada … Won the floor exercise title at the 2010 Elite Canada and was fifth in the all-around and on bars and beam … At the junior level, she was a silver all-around medalist at the 2010 and 2009 Canadian Championships … Honored in 2013 with a KW Oktoberfest Rogers Woman of the Year award … Trained at Oakville Gymnastics Club.

Personal

Hobbies include reading, dancing and singing … Older sister Aisha Gerber competed at UCLA from 2009-12 and was a three-time All-American … Full name is Mikaela Dawn Gerber … Parents: Keith and Joan Gerber … Has two older siblings, Aisha and Zach … Born in Cambridge, Ontario … Psychology major … Has career aspirations to be a neuro-researcher.





NAPUALANI HALL

Sophomore / 5-4 / Kansas City, Mo. / Fuzion Gymnastics / North Kansas City HS

2015

Tied her career-high on floor at Pac-12s with a 9.85 … Recorded a career-best 9.85 on floor at Arkansas, besting her previous career-high of 9.775 set at ASU … Recorded a season-best 9.875 on a floor exhibition at the Feb. 21 quad meet … Earned 9.775 on vault and 9.725 on floor in exhibition performances at Utah … Competed on floor in the first two meets and earned a high of 9.675 at Oregon State, where she also exhibitioned on vault for a 9.775.

Club

Level 10 state all-around, vault, bars and beam silver medalist in 2014 …Won vault and placed sixth in the all-around at the 2013 JO Nationals … Level 10 Regional all-around, vault and floor exercise champion and all-around, beam and floor state champion in 2013 … Placed fifth in the all-around and won a silver medal on vault at 2012 JO Nationals … Won the Regional vault title and state all-around, vault and floor crowns in 2012 … Qualified to the VISA National Championships in 2009 as a junior, placing 14th in the all-around, and in 2010 as a senior, where she was 14th on vault … Vault bronze medalist at the 2011 American Classic … Won Level 10 Regional all-around title in 2007 … Trained at Fuzion Gymnastics.

Personal

Favorite events are vault and floor … Admires surfer Bethany Hamilton … Has always wanted to be a Bruin and calls UCLA her dream school … Describes her greatest athletic thrill as competing at the VISA Championships … Full name is Napualani KeAloha Hall … Parents: Jennifer Soroten and Shane Hall … Has three younger sisters, Noelani Soroten, Savannah Hall and Presley Hall and a younger brother, Shane Hall … Born in California … Undeclared major with an interest in being a physical therapist.

Career Highlights

- Scored career-high of 9.85 on floor at the 2015 Pac-12 Championships
- 2013 Level 10 National vault champion
- Two-time USA Championships qualifier

Best Marks

V.....9.775 (ex.), last 1/23/15

FX.....9.850, last 3/21/15







JANAY HONEST

Sophomore / 5-2 / Visalia, Calif. / Central California Gymnastics Institute / El Diamante HS

2015

Scored 9.825 or better on vault in six of her last eight meets, with an average of 9.819 … Tied her career-best on vault with a 9.85 at Pac-12 Championships … Tied for fifth on vault at ASU with a career-high-tying 9.85 and also made her floor debut, scoring 9.8 to tie for fourth … Earned a career-best 9.85 on vault and also competed on bars (9.775) and exhibitioned on floor (9.75) at Stanford … Tied her season-high on vault with a 9.825 vs. Washington … Scored 9.8 on vault at Utah … Earned 9.825 on vault (fifth place) and bars (third place) vs. Arizona … Tied for fifth on vault with a 9.825 at OSU.

Club

Placed second in the all-around and floor and fifth on vault and bars at the 2014 Region 1 Championships to qualify for the JO National Championships … Won floor and placed second on vault at the 2014 NorCal State Championships … JO NIT vault champion, floor silver medalist and all-around bronze medalist in 2013 … Trained at Central California Gymnastics Institute.

Personal

Favorite apparatus is uneven bars … Hobbies include photography, dancing and spending time with family and friends … Admires Shaquille O'Neal … Names her greatest athletic thrill as qualifying for the 2014 JO National Championships … Calls UCLA her dream school … Career aspiration is to be a TV reporter … Full name is JaNay Delores Honest … Parents: Garry and Brenda Honest … Has two older sisters, Shantell and Alexis, and an older brother, Garry … Born in Visalia, Calif. … Hopes to major in Communication Studies.

Career Highlights

- Averaged 9.819 on vault in 2015 with a high of 9.85
- Career-highs of 9.825 on bars and 9.8 on floor
- 2014 Level 10 National qualifier
- 2013 JO NIT vault champion

Best Marks

V.....9.85, last 3/21/15
UB.....9.825, 1/19/15
FX.....9.800, 2/28/15







CHRISTINE PENG-PENG LEE

Redshirt Junior / 5-2 / Richmond Hill, Ontario / Oakville Gymnastics Club/Sport Seneca / Northview Heights Secondary

Career Highlights

- Won three events at the 2015 NCAA Regionals
- Four-time All-American
- Honorary Team Captain for Canada at the 2012 Olympics
- 2011 World Championships competitor

Best Marks

V.....9.925, 4/4/15
UB .....9.950, last 2/28/15
BB 9.975, 2/21/15



2015

First-team NACGC/W Regular Season All-American and All-Pac-12 on bars and beam … Honorable mention Pac-12 All-Academic … Named Pac-12 Freshman/Newcomer of the Week Mar. 2 and Feb. 23 and was Specialist of the Week Feb. 2 … Won every event she competed at NCAA Regionals, scoring a career-high 9.925 on vault, 9.925 on bars and 9.95 on beam … Tied for second on beam at Pac-12s with a 9.925 … Tied for first on beam vs. Stanford on Mar. 7 and also scored a career-high 9.9 on vault … Placed first on bars with a career-best 9.95 and tied for third on vault (career-high 9.875) and beam (9.85) at ASU … Won bars (9.95) and beam (9.975) at the Feb. 21 quad meet, where she also exhibitioned on vault and scored 9.925 … Did not compete at Stanford due to illness … Tied for third on bars (9.85) and second on beam (9.875) vs. Washington … Pac-12 Specialist of the Week for Feb. 2 after scoring 9.95 on bars and beam to win those events vs. Cal … Received a 10.0 from one of the two judges on her bars routine vs. Cal and finished with a 9.95 … Tied for first on bars at Utah with a 9.9 … Placed third on beam in her Pauley Pavilion debut vs. Arizona, scoring 9.85 … Won bars (9.9) and beam (9.875) in her collegiate debut at OSU and also tied for fifth with a stuck Yurchenko full vault that scored 9.825.

2014

Unable to compete after undergoing a second knee surgery.

2013

Redshirted the season while recovering from knee surgery in 2012.

Club

Honorary team captain for the Canadian gymnastics team at the 2012 Olympic Games … Was Canada's top competitor in 2012 and 2011 until she suffered a knee injury at the Canadian National Championships that kept her out of the Olympic Games … Bronze medalist in the all-around and won silver medals on beam and floor at the 2012 Pacific Rim Championships … Won gold on uneven bars at the World Cup in Croatia in 2012 … All-around champion at the 2012 International Gymnix Challenge … Earned a Top 20 finish in the all-around at the 2011 World Championships … Took home a team silver medal at the 2011 Pan American Games … In her first meet back after a two-year hiatus to heal a back injury, she won the all-around at the 2010 Elite Canada … Competing as a junior, she placed second in the all-around and on beam at the 2007 Canadian Championships and won the beam and floor titles in 2008 … Won three silver medals (team, vault, floor) at the 2007 Junior Pan American Games … Trained at Oakville Gymnastics Club under coaches Kelly Manjak, Sue Manjak and Lorne Bobkin and at Sport Seneca under coach Carol-Angela Orchard and Brian McVey.

Personal

Favorite apparatus is floor exercise … Hobbies include singing, playing guitar and tennis … Admires gymnast Shawn Johnson and tennis player Roger Federer … Full name is Christine Jennifer Peng-Peng Lee … Parents: Kin-Man and Marian Lee … Has a younger brother, Kurtis … Born in Scarborough, Ontario … Sociology major.





SONYA MERAZ

Sophomore / 5-1 / Santa Monica, Calif. / All Olympia Gymnastics Center / Santa Monica HS

2015

Scored 9.85 on beam in five of 10 meets and in four of her last six in the leadoff position … Averaged 9.813 on beam … Hit two strong routines at the NCAA semifinals, scoring 9.8 on bars and 9.75 on beam … Contributed a pair of 9.8s on bars and beam at NCAA Regionals … Recorded a career-high 39.3 in the all-around at Arkansas and placed third on vault with a career-high 9.85, beam with a career-high-tying 9.85 and floor with a 9.875 … Tied her career-highs on bars and beam with scores of 9.85 vs. Stanford on Mar. 7 … Earned third-place finishes on beam with a 9.85 and floor with a 9.825 at ASU … Went all-around at the Feb. 21 quad meet and scored 38.425, placing seventh … Scored career-bests on all three events she competed at Stanford, scoring 9.85 on bars and beam (second place) and 9.9 on floor … Won the all-around in her first attempt vs. Washington, scoring 39.025, and also placed third on floor with a career-high 9.875 … Scored 9.8 on beam in her first counting beam routine vs. Cal … Fourth on floor with a 9.825 in her floor debut vs. Arizona and also scored 9.825 in an exhibition beam performance … Placed fifth on bars with a 9.775 and scored 9.775 on an exhibition beam routine at OSU.

Club

2014 Level 10 Region 1 floor exercise champion and SoCal State uneven bars champion… Won the all-around, vault and beam at the 2013 JO NIT … JO National Championships qualifier in 2012 after finishing in fifth place in the all-around at the Region 1 Championships … Level 10 State all-around and beam champion and vault, bars and floor runner-up in 2012 … Trained at All Olympia Gymnastics Center.

Personal

Hobbies include drawing and listening to music … Career aspiration is to be a doctor … Full name is Sonya Meraz … Parents: Angel and Marianna Meraz … Has an older sister, Dory … Born in Santa Monica, Calif. … Undeclared major.

Career Highlights

- Won all-around in her first all-around meet 2/9/15
- Averaged 9.813 on beam with five scores of 9.85
- Career-highs of 9.85 or better on all four events

Best Marks

V	9.850, 3/13/15
UB	9.850, last 2/14/15
BB	9.850, last 3/21/15
FX	9.900, 2/14/15
AA	39.300, 3/13/15







MELISSA METCALF

Sophomore / 5-3 / Mesa, Ariz. / Desert Devils / Saguaro HS

2015

Did not compete due to a preseason knee injury.

Club

Silver medalist on floor at the 2014 Level 10 Regionals … Won the all-around, bars and floor titles at the 2014 Level 10 State Championships … Enjoyed a successful 2013 campaign, winning the Level 10 state all-around, uneven bars and floor championships, the Level 10 Regional all-around, bars, beam and floor titles and placing first on bars, third on beam and fifth in the all-around at JO Nationals … Third on bars and beam at the 2011 Level 10 State Championships … Won the 2009 Level 10 state floor exercise title … Qualified to junior international elite in 2008 and competed at the VISA Championships, finishing in the Top 20 in the all-around and Top 10 on uneven bars … Made the JO National Team in 2007 after a fourth-place all-around finish … JO National qualifier in 2006 and the Level 10 state vault champion … Member of the Desert Devil gymnastics team that won nine consecutive state championships.

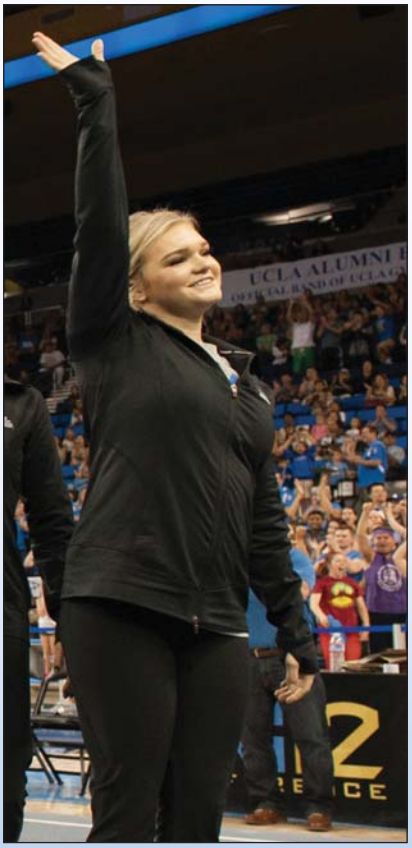
Personal

Favorite apparatus is uneven bars … Admires Nastia Liukin … Hobbies and interests include shopping, doing cardio and doing puzzles … Full name is Melissa Jean Metcalf … Parents: Mern and Laurie Metcalf … Has an older sister Sheridan, who was a gymnast at the University of Washington in 2014 … Born in Arizona … Undeclared major.



Career Highlights

- 2013 Level 10 national bars champion
- 2013 Level 10 Regional all-around, bars, beam, floor champion
- 2013 Level 10 State all-around, bars and floor champion
- Competed at the 2008 USA Championships





HALLIE MOSSETT

Junior / 5-2 / Los Angeles, Calif. / West Coast Elite Gymnastics / Vistamar HS

2015

Scored 9.8 or better on bars in her last six meets, including a 9.85 at the NCAA Semifinals … Had her strongest overall performance of the season vs. Stanford on Mar. 7, tying for second on bars with a season-high 9.875, tying her career-high with a 9.875 on floor and scoring 9.775 in an exhibition on beam … Earned 9.85 on a beam exhibition at the Feb. 21 quad meet … Competed on floor for the first time vs. Washington and scored 9.825 … Scored a season-high 9.85 on bars and went 9.75 on beam in her first routine of the season.

2014

Hit 41 of 43 routines without a fall during the season … Averaged 9.79 as the leadoff on beam in UCLA's last seven meets … Placed in the Top 3 in four of five all-around appearances … Earned 39.275 in the all-around at Michigan … Scored a career-high 39.425 in the all-around to place third at Arizona and also set a new career-high on vault with a 9.85 … Won her second Pac-12 Freshman of the Week honor after capturing all-around title vs. Arizona State with a then-career-high 39.325 … Scored two career-highs at Cal, winning bars with a 9.9 and tying for second on beam with a 9.875 to win Pac-12 Freshman of the Week … Won the all-around at Utah in her all-around debut, scoring 39.075 … Scored 9.75 on her first vault, tied her career-high on bars (9.75) and scored 9.775 on beam and 9.8 on floor … Tied her career-high on bars (9.75), recorded a new career high on beam (9.85) and scored 9.875 on her floor debut vs. OSU …Earned scores of 9.775 on beam and 9.75 on bars in her collegiate debut vs. Florida

Club

Five-time VISA Championships competitor, qualifying for the national championship meet from 2007-11 … Highest finish at the VISA Championships was a ninth-place showing to make the national team in 2008, and she also placed fifth on floor and seventh on vault … Also had Top 15 finishes in 2009 (12th) and 2007 (15th) … Named to the U.S. National Team in 2011 and was an alternate for the Pan American Games … Finished eighth on floor at the 2011 VISA Championships … Won floor and placed fourth in the all-around at the 2011 American Classic, and finished in the top 10 in the all-around at the CoverGirl Classic … U.S. Classic floor exercise champion in 2007 … Level 10 State floor exercise champion in 2007 and 2006 … Trained at West Coast Elite Gymnastics.

Personal

Favorite apparatus is floor exercise … Hobbies include singing, dancing, swimming and watching reality TV … Admires sprinter Alyson Felix … Names her greatest athletic thrills as competing at U.S. Nationals and competing with the U.S. National Team … Full name is Hallie Noelle Mossett … Parents: Edwina and L. Mack Mossett … Older brother Clarence graduated from UCLA in 2012 … Born in Los Angeles, Calif. … Sociology major with a career objective of being a sports psychologist.

Career Highlights

- Two-time Pac-12 Freshman of the Week in 2014
- Two all-around wins in 2014
- Two-year USA National Team member

Best Marks

V	9.850, 3/1/14
UB	9.900, 1/31/14
BB	9.875, 2/22/14
FX	9.875, last 3/7/15
AA	39.425, 3/1/14







KATELYN OHASHI

Freshman / 4-10 / Plano, Texas / WOGA / Plano Senior HS

Club

2013 AT&T American Cup all-around champion … Won a total of four gold medals, a silver and a bronze at the City of Jesolo Trophy in 2012 and 2011 … Dominated at the 2012 Pacific Rim Championships, winning team, all-around, bars, beam and floor gold in the junior division … Won bars and placed eighth on beam at the 2012 Secret U.S. Classic … Won the junior all-around bars, beam and floor titles at the 2011 U.S. Championships … First on bars, second on beam, third in the all-around and fifth on vault at the 2011 CoverGirl Classic … Captured second in the all-around and first on bars at the 2010 U.S. Championships … Placed second in the all-around and on floor at the 2010 CoverGirl Classic … Competing at Level 10 in 2015 and placed second on vault and beam at the State Championships … Trained at WOGA.

Personal

Describes her greatest athletic thrill as representing Team USA at the American Cup and Pacific Rim Championships … Lists Muhammad Ali as the athlete she mosts admires … Hobbies include shopping, painting nails and going to the beach … Full name is Katelyn Michelle Ohashi … Parents: Richard and Diana Ohashi … Has three older brothers, Ryan, Kyle and Kalen … Born in Seattle, Wash. … Undeclared major whose career objective is to be a physical therapist.



MADISON PRESTON

Freshman / 5-3 / Loveland, Ohio / Cincinnati Gymnastics Academy / K-12 International Academy

Club

Won the 2014 Level 10 National vault championship with a score of 9.9 … Fifth in the all-around and first on vault at the 2014 Region 5 Championships … Won the all-around and vault and placed second on beam and floor at the 2014 Level 10 State Championships … Won a total of three all-around Level 10 State titles from 2012-14.

Personal

Favorite apparatus is vault … Describes her biggest athletic thrill as hitting one of her best vaults ever and scoring 9.9 to win vault at the 2014 JO Nationals … Admires Olympic gold medalist Shawn Johnson … Interested in art … Full name is Madison Ann Preston … Parents: Paul and Shari Preston … Has two older brothers, Taylor and Parker … Born in Cincinnati, Ohio … Undeclared major.



STELLA SAVVIDOU

Freshman / 5-2 / Melbourne, Australia / Methodist Ladies College Gymnastics Club / Methodist Ladies College

Club

Competed for Cyprus at the 2015 World Championships … All-around finalist at the 2014 Commonwealth Games … Competed at the 2015 European Games … Won the Australian Level 10 national vault and bars titles in 2015 and helped lead her Victorian State team to its second-straight team championship … Placed second in the all-around and vault at the 2014 national championships … Named the 2015 Hellenic Australian Chamber of Commerce and Industry Award-winner for Sporting Excellence … Awarded the 2014 Senior Gymnast of the Year and Senior School Sports Achiever of the Year at Methodist Ladies College.

Personal

Favorite apparatus are floor and vault … Lists her biggest athletic thrill as the Victorian State team winning the 2015 Australian National Championships … Admires Romanian gymnast Catalina Ponor … Hobbies include swimming, listening to music, riding horses and baking … Speaks Greek … Full name is Stelutsa Savvidou … Parents: Professor John Roberts and Dr. Chrysanthi Savvidou … Born in Romania … Biology major with a career objective of being an orthopaedic surgeon.



NICKI SHAPIRO

Freshman / 5-1 / Los Angeles, Calif. / All Olympia Gymnastics Center / Santa Monica HS

Club

Fifth in the all-around, fourth on floor and eighth on beam at the 2012 Level 10 National Championships … Earned eight Regional titles in her career … Won the all-around, beam and floor and placed second on vault and third on bars at the 2012 Region 1 Championships … Captured the 2012 state titles in the all-around and beam and silver medals on vault and floor … Seventh in the all-around and on beam and fifth on floor at the 2011 Level 10 Nationals … Won the all-around, vault and floor and placed second on beam at the 2011 Region 1 Championships … Won all-around, vault, floor and team gold medals at the Pan Am Maccabi Games in 2011 … Won a total of 15 State titles in her career, including four in the all-around.

Personal

Favorite apparatus is beam … Describes her greatest athletic thrill as winning back-to-back all-around titles at Regionals … Admires LA Clippers' star Blake Griffin … Hobbies include dancing, snow-boarding, music, movies, attending Clippers games and going to the beach …Full name is Nicole Shapiro … Parents: Brent and Abbe Shapiro … Older sister Samantha was an All-American gymnast at Stanford and a five-time U.S. National Team member … Born in Santa Monica, Calif. … Career objective is to be a sports psychologist.



MACY TORONJO

Freshman / 4-11 / Huntsville, Texas / Texas Dreams / Coppell HS

Club

Won the all-around and floor and placed third on beam, fourth on vault and fifth on bars at the 2015 Level 10 National Championships … All-around and floor champion at the 2015 Region 3 Championships … Swept the all-around and all four events at the 2015 State Championships … Made her senior elite debut in 2014, placing eighth in the all-around and sixth on floor exercise at the P&G National Championships … Placed first in the all-around, bars and beam and second on floor at the 2014 American Classic … At the junior level in 2011, she won a bronze medal on floor and placed ninth in the all-around at the American Classic to qualify for the Visa National Championships … 2010 U.S. Challenge bars and floor champion … Trained at Texas Dreams Gymnastics under coaches Kim Zmeskal Burdette and Chris Burdette.

Personal

Favorite apparatus is floor exercise … Describes her greatest athletic thrill as competing at the 2014 P&G Championships and winning the JO Nationals in 2015 … Full name is Macy Elizabeth Toronjo … Parents: David and Talulla Toronjo … Has a younger brother, Will … Born in Conroe, Texas.